

The.Life.of.Christ
Summer Book Study

Week Twelve Discussion Questions

1. Jesus asks Peter three times if he loves Him, reversing Peter's three denials. How does Sheen interpret this questioning as a rebuilding of Peter's soul rather than merely a punishment?
2. Where do you see the trap of acting out of "quicker action" rather than "spiritual discernment" in your own daily decisions or leadership roles?
3. How does Sheen define the sharing in Christ's offices of Priest, Prophet, and King? How are Christians today called to live out each of these three roles in their daily lives and communities?
4. Sheen links the concept of spiritual authority directly to Christ's mandate. How does the chapter challenge modern, individualistic ideas about truth and self-rule compared to following a divine mandate?

5. In what ways does searching the Old Testament deepen our understanding of the Risen Christ according to chapter 59?
6. How does the final appearance in Jerusalem prepare the disciples (and the reader) for the upcoming mandate and ascension?
7. In what practical ways does Sheen suggest that a modern Christian integrates daily repentance into an active prayer life, rather than treating it as an occasional or abstract idea?
8. Sheen outlines the complete mission of Jesus moving from His earthly life to His glorified life in heaven and finally His mystical life in the Church. How does understanding the Ascension as the gateway to His glorified life change the way you view His current authority and presence in the universe?

9. The Apostles experienced both grief and great joy upon witnessing the Ascension. How do you reconcile the feelings of abandonment or spiritual dryness in your own life with the underlying joy Christ promised through the sending of the Holy Spirit?

10. Sheen outlines specific features of Christ's new Mystical Body, the Church. How does viewing the Church as a living "Body" rather than merely a human organization change our understanding of Christian unity and accountability?

11. Reflecting on the closing of the book, how does Sheen tie the reality of the Mystical Body back to the reality of the Cross? How should sharing in Christ's "Body" affect our personal response to trials and suffering?